

## INDIANA EARLY LEARNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

# **Funding Streams Workgroup**

Meeting Minutes Summary Date: August 14, 2014

#### Attendees:

James Betley, Jo Taylor, Stephanie Bothun, Lauron Fischer, Melanie Brizzi, Charlie Geier, Ted Maple, Kim Olesker, Andy Goebel, Mary Lee Freeze, Marissa Manlove, Beth Barrett, Amanda Lopez, Kyle Wehmann

## **Key Topics Discussed:**

- 1. CCDF funding has only a 20% usage rate
- 2. A Head Start or CCDF Block grant is not feasible
- 3. This Workgroup is responsible for 5 of the 10 Legislative Study Questions
- 4. Ashland's Economic Impact Study report will be finished mid-late Sept.
- 5. Denver's "last dollar in" model: Indiana can do this and is already doing some of it
- 6. A city tax for PreK funding would be allowed at the State's discretion, but statewide funding options should be exhausted first
- 7. Infrastructure (policies and procedures) needs to be laid before funding streams can really help
- 8. Salt Lake City and Pay for Success model (PFS and its applicability in IN needs more study)
- 9. Andy & Lauron recommend a feasibility study for state to do PFS grants
- 10. Priority to leverage public/private dollars rather than increase taxes
- 11. Maybe the dollars are already here, we're just putting them in wrong place (i.e. kindergarten retention)
- 12. Discussion of how philanthropy has historically funded early learning and what it commits to do going forward

### **Key Questions Raised:**

- 1. What is the breakdown in terms of kids in public/private programs in CO?
- 2. Can cities/local entities ask for a tax? As a funding source, would this model work?
- 3. Was statewide preschool infrastructure already in place in Colorado before Denver Preschool Program implementation?
- 4. In terms of Pay for Success, what outcomes should be measured? Assessments? Programs? How would we decide/agree on this?

#### **Action Steps:**

- 1. Kyle will create a template to be used to respond to each legislative study question and present recommendations to ELAC Committee
- 2. Amanda will get federal poverty level data report(s)
- 3. Workgroup members will draft statements on (1) Pay for Success: Andy and Lauron, (2) Colorado Preschool (Community Tax Model): Stephanie, and (3) Philanthropic business involvement: Marissa
- 4. Co-chairs to fill in High Level Project Plan template with workgroup deliverables from now until end of year.

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## **Next Meeting**

Date: Thursday, September 11, 2014, 8:30-10:30am

Location: Day Nursery, 615 Alabama Street #300, Indianapolis, IN

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